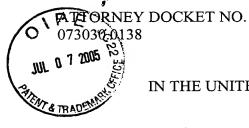
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.104, Applicant respectfully issues a statement commenting on the Examiner's reasons for allowance. Applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner's reasons for allowance to the extent that they are inconsistent with applicable case law, statutes, and regulations. Furthermore, Applicant does not admit to any characterization or limitation of the claims, particularly any that are inconsistent with the language of the claims

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considered in their entirety and including all of their constituent limitations, or to any characterization of a reference by the Examiner.

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